

P-16 Policy Roundtable Event

Education Reform and the Higher Education Community

A one-day opportunity to begin a P-16 dialog among education partners to advance collective efforts to ensure every student succeeds

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9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.



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Conference schedule

Meetings will be held in room **613** of the Washington State Convention & Trade Center

9 a.m. **Refreshments**

9:30 a.m. **Welcome**

- Marc Gaspard, executive director of the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB)

Mr. Gaspard will welcome guests and presenters, provide an overview of the day and clarify expectations and desired outcomes.

9:45 a.m. **Strengthening P-12 and Post-Secondary Partnerships**

- Dr. Terry Bergeson, Washington Superintendent of Public Instruction

Dr. Bergeson will introduce the subject of “P-16” and explain why it is important to work collaboratively to strengthen the alignment, coordination, and communication of respective interests in education to focus efforts on student success. She will discuss the challenge of preparing for the 21st century.

10:15 a.m. **Existing P-16 Partnerships and Future Challenges**

Moderator: Dave Fisher, board member, Academic Achievement and Accountability Commission

Running Start

- Dr. Victoria Munoz-Richart, president, Cascadia Community College
- Dr. Karen Forys, superintendent, Northshore School District

College in the High School

- Dr. Pat Wasley, dean, College of Education, University of Washington
- Dr. David Szatmary, vice provost for educational outreach, University of Washington

Curriculum Alignment and Certificate of Mastery

- Bobbie May, president, State Board of Education
- Gary Kipp, assistant superintendent, Evergreen School District, Clark County

Question-and-answer session with audience

This session is designed to highlight P-16 work already under way in Washington and to explore work still to be done. The presenters will speak to both the strengths and weaknesses of their respective program areas with comments about the implications of their work on a system-wide P-16 basis. There will be a question-and-answer opportunity with the audience near the end of the session.

11:45 a.m. **Break**

12 p.m. **Lunch**
 Room 608
 Washington State Convention & Trade Center

12:30 p.m. **Keynote address**
 “Closing the Achievement Gap”

- Introduced by Bob Craves, Higher Education Coordinating Board chairman
- Keynote speaker, Washington Governor Gary Locke

1:15 p.m. **Defining P-16 Issues In Washington**

Moderator: Dave Ross, KIRO radio

Panelists:

- Dr. Brian Benzel, superintendent, Spokane School District
- Dr. Jerilyn McIntyre, president, Central Washington University
- Tom Vander Ark, executive director, education, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Dr. Jack Oharah, president, Edmonds Community College
- Dr. Sue Schmitt, dean of the College of Education, Seattle University

The moderator will draw out from the panelists what common issues they may choose to work on together. To identify issues of common concern, the moderator will ask probing questions of the experts that may touch on the following areas:

- College of Education practices and professional standards
- Teacher training, mentoring, and professional development
- Curriculum design and consistency
- Remediation practices
- Post-secondary outreach efforts and effectiveness
- Affordability concerns and solutions
- Increased instruction time opportunities for students
- Special academies for students, teachers, and administrators
- Reform cost considerations
- Measurement and accountability tools

The session will foster system-wide thinking about barriers and solutions.

2:15 p.m. **What can we learn from other states?**

Moderator: Jan Somerville, senior associate and director of NASH (National Association of System Heads) State K-16 — A National Perspective

- Dr. Karen Paulson, senior associate, National Center For Higher Education Management Systems — How Washington compares to other states
- Neil Kleiman, director, Center For An Urban Future, New York City — How NYC developed a P-16 system
- Dr. Christine Tell, director, Proficiency-Based Admission Standards System, Oregon University System
- 30 minute question-and-answer session with audience

This session will help participants get a deeper understanding of P-16 and how the movement grew from P-12 education reform. All panelists are nationally recognized experts. By the close of this session, participants will have a grasp of national efforts, how Washington compares, and examples of how two other states have specifically addressed P-16 issues.

3:30 p.m. **Future Directions (Written Assessment)**

Participants attending the event will have opportunities throughout the day to listen and respond to each panel discussion. By mid-afternoon, participants will have heard about current state P-16 practices, identification of P-16 issues of common concern, and other state practices. If participants want more time to reflect on these issues, they may submit their concerns on the Higher Education Coordinating Board's Web site: www.hecb.wa.gov. All participant comments will be summarized and published on the Web site.

3:45 p.m. **Break**

4 p.m.

What We Heard Today: Legislative Response

Moderator: Spud Van de Water, program director for PK-16, Education Commission of the States

- Rep. Phyllis Gutierrez Kenney, chair, House Higher Education Committee
- Rep. Dave Quall, chair, House Education Committee
- Rep. Gigi Talcott, ranking minority member, House Education Committee
- Rep. Helen Sommers, co-chair, House Appropriations Committee
- Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe, chair, Senate Education Committee
- Sen. Jim Horn, ranking minority member, Senate Higher Education Committee

The moderator will facilitate a question-and-answer session with legislators to gauge reaction to the day's discussions.

4:45 p.m.

Wrap Up

- Spud Van de Water, program director PK-16, Education Commission of the States
- Cheryl Blanco, program director for policy analysis and research, Western Interstate Commission For Higher Education

These national P-16 experts will discuss their impressions of the day and what steps they think would be helpful to move the P-16 dialog along in Washington.

5:15 p.m.

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